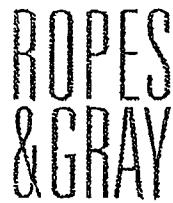


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Re: Braun GmbH v. Rayovac Corporation
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Dear Jim:

It is apparent from Mr. Hoeser's deposition that there are documents which should have been produced by Braun. We are taking immediate steps to rectify this. We will, of course, be willing to discuss with you scheduling additional U.S. depositions of Braun witnesses if, after reviewing any additional materials, you conclude there is such a need.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that appears to read "Brie".

William L. Patton

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